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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR, TU

SUBJECT: TURKEY FAVORABLE TO EFFORT ESTABLISH SYSTEM TO IDENTIFY
ORIGIN OF HEROIN

1. ARIM (TURKISH MISSION) ADVISES THAT AMB. KIRCA HAS RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING QUERY PUT TO HIM BY AMB. VANCE (OVER A YEAR AGO) RE TURKEY'S ATTITUDE TOWARD POSSIBLE JOINT EFFORT BY EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AND U.S. TO ESTABLISH CHEMICAL SIGNATURE SYSTEM TO IDENTIFY ORIGIN OF HEROIN. SAYS THIS PROPOSAL HAS BEEN STUDIED BY TURKISH CONTROL AND OVER AUTHORITIES AND GOT AGREES IN PRINCIPLE TO SUCH UNDERTAKING BUT WOULD WISH SIGNATURE SYSTEM TO BE DEVELOPED IN LARGER FORUM, I.E., UNDER AUSPICES UN, POSSIBLY UN NARCOTICS LABORATORY. GOT ALSO BELIEVES THAT ALL INTERESTED COUNTRIES, NOT JUST EUROPEAN AND U.S., SHOULD BE AFFORDED OPPORTUNITY PARTICIPATE TO SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE. TURKEY ITSELF "WOULD BE GLAD TO PARTICIPATE".

2. WE AND ARIM AGREED THAT PROPOSED PROJECT MIGHT BEST BE FURTHER ELABORATED IN TALKS BETWEEN AMBASSADORS VANCE AND KIRCA AND SUBSEQUENTLY WITH UN OFFICIALS ON OCCASION UPCOMING CND SESSION (FEB. 16-18).

3. COMMENT: WE WOULD HOPE THAT OUTLINES OF PROJECT COULD BE SUFFICIENTLY CLARIFIED IN TIME PERMIT VANCE
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AND KIRCA REFER TO IT IN THEIR REMARKS BEFORE CND.

4. S/NM PLEASE PASS AMBASSADOR VANCE. DALE

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